

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA

In Re

Authorization of Panel
Trustee to Serve as Own
Counsel in Chapter 7 Cases

ORDER

IT APPEARING to the Court that Federal Bankruptcy Rule 2014(a) requires that employment of professional persons in a bankruptcy case be requested by a trustee or creditors committee; and

IT FURTHER APPEARING that the members of the Panel of Trustees in this federal judicial district frequently request that they be authorized to serve as their own counsels in Chapter 7 cases in which they serve as Trustee; and

IT FURTHER APPEARING that the Panel Trustees in this federal judicial district continually demonstrate competence to serve as their own counsels in Chapter 7 cases; and

IT FURTHER APPEARING that for each Chapter 7 case in which a Panel Trustee desires to serve as his/her own counsel, that Trustee presently prepares a separate pleading and order for authorization to so serve; and

IT FURTHER APPEARING that the amount of time expended in preparing and processing the paperwork associated with this procedure is substantial and constitutes an unnecessary hardship on the Trustees and this Court's Clerks Office personnel; and

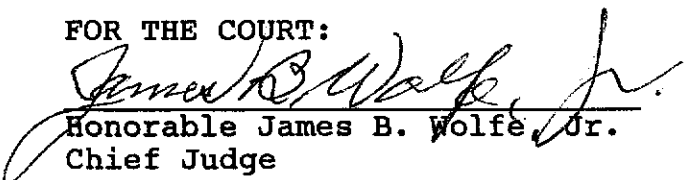
IT FURTHER APPEARING that this Court routinely authorizes Panel Trustee requests to serve as their own counsels in Chapter 7 cases, and for other good cause shown; now, therefore, IT IS

ORDERED, as a standing order of this court, that henceforth any member of the Panel of Trustees serving this Court, who is an attorney admitted to practice before this Court, shall be deemed, upon appointment as Trustee in a Chapter 7 case, to have requested authorization to serve as his/her own counsel in such case; and IT IS

FURTHER ORDERED that all Panel Trustee requests henceforth to serve as their own counsels, within the circumstances described in the immediately preceding paragraph, are, by this Standing Order, deemed authorized and allowed as orders of this Court.

Dated November 6, 1992

FOR THE COURT:


Honorable James B. Wolfe, Jr.
Chief Judge